

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Exchange of notes at Tegucigalpa March 29 and April 12, 1944

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The American Ambassador to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
TEGUCIGALPA, D.C., *March 29, 1944*

Note No. 173

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note No. 1500 dated March 28, 1944, which refers to conversations between representatives of my Government and the Minister of Public Education regarding the possible establishment of a cooperative educational program in Honduras, and expresses the desire of the Honduran Government to place in operation such a program. It is gratifying to learn that your Excellency approves of cooperative action in this field, and it is believed that the resulting interchange of educational ideas and methods will be mutually beneficial.

For the purpose of carrying out the proposed program in Honduras, the Government of the United States, acting through the Inter-American Educational Foundation, Incorporated, is prepared to provide the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars, United States Currency. This amount is to be made available for projects to be approved mutually by representatives of the two Governments and for paying the salaries and other expenses of the educational specialists furnished by the Foundation. It is proposed that the Honduran Government provide the sum of Eighty Thousand Lempiras, Honduran currency, in addition to such personnel, supplies, and materials as it may see fit to provide within Honduras, and that a special cooperative service, similar to the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública, be established for the carrying out of this program, which, it is anticipated, will be carried on over a period of approximately three years.

¹ By agreement signed at Tegucigalpa Aug. 22, 1947, by the Special Representative of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs and the Sub-secretary of Public Education.

If it is agreeable to Your Excellency, the Foundation will send a group of educational specialists to Honduras who will be acceptable to the Honduran Government. This group will be in charge of an official who will be designated as the Chief of Staff of the Inter-American Educational Foundation, Incorporated, who will be the representative of the Foundation in connection with this program, and who would also serve as the Director of the special cooperative service. The specific projects and activities to be undertaken by the special cooperative service will be mutually agreed upon by representatives of the two Governments, and will include the sending of Honduran specialists in education to the United States.

If agreeable to the Government of Honduras it is also proposed that the detailed arrangements for the establishment of the special cooperative service and the development of the program be stated later in a more detailed agreement between the Foundation and Your Excellency's Government.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

JOHN D. ERWIN

His Excellency
Doctor SILVERIO LAINEZ,
*Minister for Foreign Affairs,
Tegucigalpa, D.C.*

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

[TRANSLATION]

Official communication
No. 1562

NATIONAL PALACE
TEGUCIGALPA, D.C., April 12, 1944

MR. AMBASSADOR:

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's courteous note, no. 173, of March 29 last, relating to the possible establishment of a cooperative educational program in Honduras, and in reply I take pleasure in submitting to you the communication which says:

"DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION. No. 668. Tegucigalpa, D.C., April 5, 1944. Mr. Minister: There has been received in this Office your courteous communication No. 1523 dated March 31 last, in which you are good enough to transcribe the note of His Excellency John D. Erwin, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America in our country, relative to the fact that the American Government, acting through the "Inter-American Educational Foundation, Incorporated" (La Fundación Educational Interamericana, Incorporada), and for the pur-

pose of carrying out the proposed cooperative educational program in Honduras, already accepted by our Government, is prepared to provide the sum of EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$80,000.00), United States currency, which amount will be made effective for projects which are mutually approved by representatives of the two Governments and for paying the honoraria and other expenses of the educational specialists furnished by the Foundation, proposing that the Government of Honduras provide the sum of EIGHTY THOUSAND LEMPIRAS (L.80,000.00), Honduran currency, in addition to such supplies, personnel and materials as it may see fit to provide in our country. It is proposed, furthermore, in the aforesaid note, that a special cooperative service be established, similar to the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Salud Pública, for the carrying out of the cooperative educational program above-mentioned, for a period of three years, approximately. It is added in the note transcribed that if it should be agreeable to you, the Foundation would send to this country, a group of educational specialists, acceptable to our Government, the said group to be in charge of an official who would be the Chief of Staff of the "Inter-American Educational Foundation, Incorporated", the representative thereof and, in addition, the Director of the Special Cooperative Service. There is included in the program of educational cooperation the sending to the United States of Honduran specialists in education and, lastly, it is proposed in the note referred to, if it should be agreeable to our Government, that the detailed arrangements for the establishment of the Special Cooperative Service and development of the program be presented later in an agreement between the Foundation and our Government. In reply to your communication in reference, I have the honor to inform you that this Department of State, considering the program of educational cooperation above-mentioned of the highest importance for the culture of the country, accepts the said program in full, presenting to the American Government, through the worthy channel of your Department of State, its thanks for such a significant and important evidence of confraternity, which undoubtedly will contribute to the strengthening of the bonds of friendship and understanding which happily unite the two Governments and peoples. With assurances of my distinguished consideration, I have the honor to remain your very humble and obedient servant. (S) Angel G. Hernández. To the Minister for Foreign Affairs, His Office."

I avail myself of the opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest esteem and most distinguished consideration.

SILVERIO LAÍNEZ

His Excellency

JOHN D. ERWIN,

*Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
of the United States of America.
American Embassy.*